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## **Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures**

## NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

- Notifying Member: <u>UNITED ARAB EMIRATES</u>
   If applicable, name of local government involved:
- **2. Agency responsible:** Ministry of Environment and Water (MOEW)
- 3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Live poultry (HS Code: 0105), and poultry products including poultry meat (HS Code: 0207), day-old chicks (HS Code: 0105.11), hatching eggs
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
  - [] All trading partners
  - [X] Specific regions or countries: Emilia-Romagna, Italy
- **Title of the notified document:** Lifting of the temporary ban on the importation of domestic and wild birds and their products including poultry meat, day-old chicks, eggs, from Emilia-Romagna, province in Italy to the UAE. **Language(s):** Arabic. **Number of pages:**
- **6. Description of content:** United Arab Emirates is lifting the ban on the importation of domestic and wild birds and their products including poultry meat, day-old chicks and eggs originating from Emilia-Romagna, Italy.
- 7. Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [X] animal health, [ ] plant protection, [X] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ] protect territory from other damage from pests.
- 8. Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action: United Arab Emirates is lifting the ban on the importation of domestic and wild birds and their products including poultry meat, day-old chicks and eggs originating from Emilia-Romagna, Italy. This follows the publishing of the Final report (Follow-up report No. 3) of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Emilia-Romagna, Italy on 20 June 2016, and in compliance with Article 10.4.4, Chapter 10.4 of the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code, Emilia-Romagna, Italy is now free from Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza disease. The risk of contamination from importing poultry and poultry products from Emilia-Romagna, Italy is negligible now.
- 9. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:
  - [] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):
  - [X] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): Chapter 10.4 of the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code

	[ ] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
	[] None
	Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?
	[X] Yes [] No
	If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:
10.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
11.	Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable): 5 September 2016
	[ ] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:
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